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## SOYBEAN INSPECTIONS DECREASE IN MARCH

Inspected receipts of soybeans in March were somewhat lower than for the preceding month and slightly below the five-year average, according to inspectors' reports to the Grain Branch of the Production and Marketing Administration.

March inspections totaled 4,644 cars compared with 5,219 cars in February. The five-year average for the month of March for the crop years 1940-44 was 4,713 cars. Inspected receipts for October-March this season were 71,751 cars compared with 62,000 cars for the same period last season.

The quality of soybeans inspected in March continued good, 94 percent grading No. 2 or better compared with 91 percent in February.

February inspections included the equivalent of 62 cars inspected as cargo lots and truck receipts equivalent to about 28 cars.

Soybeans: Inspected receipts, March 1946, in carlots 1/.

Class	Grade					Total	Total Oct.1,1945-
	No. 1	No. 2:	No. 3	No. 4	Sample		Mch.31,1946
Yellow :	3,678:	687:	172:	44:	30	: 4,611	: 70,561
Green :	-:	-:	-:	-:	_	: 0	: 72
Brown:	3:	-:	-:	1:	· –	: 4	: 56
Black:	2:	4:	3:	2:	-	: 11	569
Mixed :	4:	8:	3:	1:	2	: 18	493
-	3,687:	699:	178:	48:	32	: 4,644	•
Percentages:	79:	15:	4:	1:	1	: 100	:
October-March Cars:	51,491:	14,374:	4,385:	1,115:	386	:	: 71,751
1945-46 Percentages:			6:		. 0	:	: 100
October-March Cars:		20,721:	6,412:	1,480:	608	:	62,000
1944-45 Percentages:	53:	34:	10:	2:	1	:	: 100

<sup>1/</sup> Cargo and truck receipts converted to carlots on basis of 1,650 bushels equal 1 carlot.

